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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-12 are pending and under consideration.

Independent claim 1 recites performing a pre-scanning operation until a current scanning area is located in the main-scan area. In contrast, Lee teaches that a user selects an area of the document to receive a zoom scan. Thus, because the area is already selected, the scanning area is already known. Thus, there is no pre-scan to locate the area of the zoom scan.

Furthermore, dependent claim 2 recites that the pre-scanning operation comprises sensing a position of a starting position of the main-scan area. However, because the user determines the zoom scan area in Lee, there is no pre-scanning operation, and therefore no sensing of the starting position during the pre-scanning operation.

Independent claim 9 recites a pre-scanning unit performing a pre-scanning operation until a current scanning area is located in a main-scan area. As discussed above, Lee teaches that the user selects the zoom scan area. Thus, there is no pre-scanning unit.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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